policies provided for safeguards against environmental and pollution hazards. These policies are under constant review and improvements/modifications are made from time to time.

Fuel efficiency certificate to Standard 2000 Car

1383. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a fuel efficiency certificate was given to standard 2000 car;

(b) if so, the grounds on which the fuel efficiency certificate was given to this car;

(c) the extent to which the car has been found to be fuel efficient;

(d) whether an inquiry has been made and it was found that the Standard 2000 car did not meet the requirements of the fuel efficiency certificate; and

(e) the reaction of Government in regard thereto and what action has been taken in the matter against the officers involved in issuing fuel efficiency certificate to the Standard 2000?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The fuel efficiency certificate was given on the basis of tests conducted by Automotive Research Association of India.

(c) to (e) The matter is sub-judice in the High Court of Madras.

Legal status to Lok Adalats

1384. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal to give legal status to Lok Adalats;

(b) if so, what are the details in regard thereto; and

(c) the total number of cases disposed off by the Lok Adalats in various parts of the country so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) and (b) The Committee for Implementing Legal Aid Scheme has recommended to the Government enactment of suitable legislation on the subject. This proposal is under consideration of the Government.

(c) Approximately 3,93,325 cases.

Location of Public Undertakings

1385. SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANICKER: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of the States which have requested the Central Government to identify the locations of public undertakings in the country during the last one year;

(b) the details of requests made; and

(c) the action taken by Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ENTERPRISES IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. K. K. TEWARY): (a) to (c) Requests are received from various States for location of industries from time to time and decisions are taken, taking into account, *inter-alia*, various techno-economic factors and not on the basis of the proposed locations alone. As this is a continuous process and spread over various Ministries/Departments of the Government, it is not possible to give the details of such requests and action taken by the Government during the last one year specifically.